

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control
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Project Title: Issuance of Hazardous Waste Facility Permit for Evergreen Environmental Services - Carson

Project Location: 16604 South San Pedro Street. Carson, California 90746

County: Los Angeles

Project Description: Evergreen Environmental Services – Carson (EES) currently has a permit to store and transfer used oil, waste antifreeze, non-RCRA wastewater, and solid waste contaminated with oil in tanks and containers. The project consists of making a permit determination on EES's application to allow for treatment of used oil in addition storage and transfer. After treatment, the used oil would be tested to determine whether it meets the standards for "recycled oil" as defined in the California Health and Safety Code. If the oil meets "recycled oil" standards, EES would certify the oil as "recycled oil." Otherwise, it would be managed as used oil.

Background: EES is located at 16604 South San Pedro Street in Carson, Los Angeles County. The EES facility consists of 10 hazardous waste storage tanks with a total maximum permitted storage capacity of 92,492 gallons, a liquid waste container storage area with a maximum permitted capacity of 550 gallons, a solid waste container storage area with a maximum permitted capacity of 4400 gallons, and a truck loading/unloading area. The new permit will not increase the facility's storage capacity.

Project Activities: EES's operations consist of collecting used oil, waste antifreeze, Non-RCRA wastewater (oily water), and oil-contaminated solid waste from offsite generators (gas stations, oil changers, auto repair shops, etc.) and consolidating the waste before shipping it to a permitted recycling/treatment/ disposal facility. EES would also treat used oil by blending, gravity separation, and the additional of a chemical reagent, if necessary to remove metals and enhance dehydration, to meet the recycled oil standards as defined in the California Health and Safety Code. EES would then certify the treated used oil as "recycled oil." EES also accepts and stores used oil, waste antifreeze, Non-RCRA wastewater, and oil-contaminated solid waste in containers.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Evergreen Environmental Services.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]
- ☐ Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec.15269(a)]
- ☐ Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec.15269(b)(c)]
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: [State type and section number]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
- ☒ General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Exemption Title: With Certainty, No Possibility of a Significant Environmental Effect.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The Issuance of the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit for the EES facility has no possibility of significant environmental effect because:

(1) In 2004, DTSC made a permit determination on the same operation that is part of this project. The 2004 Permit allowed EES to store and transfer used oil, waste antifreeze, non-RCRA wastewater, and solid waste contaminated with oil in tanks and containers. This project would allow treatment of used oil to EES's operations. Treatment of used oil would consists of blending different loads of used oil in a larger tank (similar to consolidation), physical separation (allowing contaminants in the used oil to settle to the bottom of the tank), and dehydration (additional of a small amount of chemical reagent, if needed, to the used oil to enhance the separation of the water phase from the oil phase). These are simple treatment processes that may already occur incidentally with the storage of used oil.

(2) DTSC evaluated the storage and transfer permit project in 2004 and determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. A negative declaration was issued on September 14, 2004. This project consists of making a permit determination on Evergreen Oil, Inc.'s application to continue to store used oil, waste antifreeze, non-RCRA wastewater (oily water), and solids contaminated with oil. This portion of the EES will remain the same.

(3) The facility currently stores wastes in 10 aboveground storage tanks and 2 drum storage areas. The permit, if approved, would use the same tanks and drum storage areas. No new equipment will be added. The storage capacity at the facility will remain the same. There will be no increase in storage capacity at the facility.

(4) The type of waste handled at the facility will not change. The facility is currently allow to accept used oil, waste antifreeze, non-RCRA wastewater (oily water), and solids contaminated with oil. The new permit, if approved, would limit EES to the same wastestreams. No new wastestream will be allowed.

(5) The hazardous waste handled is low risk. Used oil and waste antifreeze are similar to their unused counterparts (motor oil and antifreeze) found in auto parts stores, supermarkets, convenient stores, and department stores.

(6) The surrounding area has not significantly changed since the original project.

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